

REMARKS

Status

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated November 18, 2005, in which Claims 2-5 were pending and Claims 2-3 were rejected. Claims 4-5 are allowed; Claims 2-3 have been cancelled; no claims have been amended; and no new claims have been added. Accordingly, Claims 4-5 are pending in the application, and are presented for allowance.

Election/Restriction

Applicants affirm the election of the invention of Group II, drawn to the species of Figure 1-7, Claims 2-7. The claim to the non-elected species (i.e., Claim 1) was cancelled in the Amendment filed on August 26, 2005.

Claim Rejection - 35 USC 102

Claims 2-3 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by US Patent No. 6,473,205 (*Pepe*).

In order to promote prosecution of the present application, and without conceding either the correctness of the Office Action's position or the need for amendment for patentability reasons, Applicants have cancelled Claims 2-3. Accordingly, this rejection is moot.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Office Action indicates that Claims 4 and 5 are allowed. Applicants thank the Examiner for the allowance of these claims.

Summary

Should the Examiner consider that additional amendments are necessary to place the application in condition for allowance, the favor is requested of a telephone call to the undersigned counsel for the purpose of discussing such amendments.

For the reasons set forth above, it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and favorable action are respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees in connection with this communication to Eastman Kodak Company Deposit Account No. 05-0225.

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